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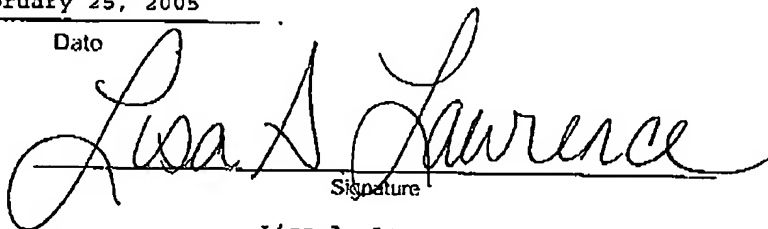
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 28, 2005, please substitute the following amendment for the amendment that was mailed on November 28, 2004.

The amendment mailed on November 28, 2004 was not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 due to the amendment failing to list all of the pending claims including the withdrawn claims. This substitute amendment presents withdrawn claims 4-22.

Elections/Restrictions begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

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Elections/Restrictions

Applicant acknowledges making a provisional election with traverse to prosecute the invention of Group I, which corresponds to figures 1-5 and claims 1-3.

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